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The Western half of the state is in the Central Time Zone.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

ICPC Code Citation. KRS 615.030.

Statutory Penalties Under Article IV. For violation of KRS 615.030 (bond requirements) 10 to 60 days in jail, fine from \$25 - 200. KRS Sec. 199.990 (1994 Supp) and 615.990 (1986).

Age of Majority. 18 years. KRS Sec. 199.011.

Court Jurisdiction. County District Court-Juvenile Session/Family Court, Delinquent, dependent, needy or abandoned children under 18 years of age; temporary commitment and custody awards.

Circuit Court: Termination of parental rights; adoption proceedings must be filed in the petitioners' county of residence; permanent custody awards. KRS Sec. 403-260 (1973).

REQUIREMENTS

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Reports. Quarterly unless special reports needed.

Licensing Requirements. Institutions and private care facilities licensed under provisions of KRS Sec. 199.640 (1998 Supp.). Foster Family home evaluated and approved by Department for Community Based Services or local licensed private adoption agencies.

PLACEMENTS

Independent Adoptive Placements. Lawful if Kentucky statutes followed; require prior written approval of the Commissioner. Close relative of child (grandparent, aunt, uncle, sister, brother) is exempt from requirement. HRS Sec. 199.473 922 KAR 1:010. A thorough investigation is conducted before approval or denial.

Adoption Petitions. Only Kentucky residents or non residents who have lived in the state one year may file. Army post residents may file after residing on-post 60 days prior to filing petition. KRS Sec 199.475. No minimum time between filing petition and final decree. Petition filed 90 days after placement except for Department or Kentucky licensed, child placing agency placement: then may be filed at time of placement. KRS Sec. 199.470.

Residential Placements.

- Placement Requiring Interstate Approval: ICPC approval for placement of non-resident youths or juvenile delinquent facilities. No such requirements for boarding schools or medical facility. (See Article II(d) and Article VI.)

- Requirements for Placements: ICPC-100A. Child Summary including recent diagnostic assessment, and a determination that the facility is licensed to meet the specific needs of the child on whose behalf the request is made.

- Approval of Facilities: Annual licensure by Office of Inspector General, Division of Licensing and Regulation.

- Rate Setting: Rates negotiated between sending agency and facility.

- Monitoring of the Child: Responsibility of the sending agency by means of quarterly reports from the facility.

- Philosophy for the Placement of Non-Resident Youth: Equivalent facilities not available in the sending agency's jurisdiction; best interest of the child.

Foster Care Placement Requirements. Kentucky does not license foster homes. Kentucky approves foster homes according to foster care standards in Kentucky. Out-of-state foster care homes must meet the requirements in the receiving state.

PAYMENTS

TANF Payments. A child in the legal custody of sending state agency will be ineligible for TANF payments from Kentucky.

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Medicaid Payments. Kentucky will maintain a Kentucky Medical Assistance Card for those children in the custody of a Kentucky agency. Should a medical provider in the receiving state refuse to honor the Kentucky Medical Assistance, medical costs will be paid by the Kentucky sending agency upon receipt of a bill if prior approval has been granted. A Kentucky Medical Assistance Card will be issued to all special-needs adopted children moving into Kentucky who are subsidized by another state.

Foster Care Payments. Foster care payments are based upon the age of the child, and upon any special needs the child may have. Payment is established according to Kentucky rates.

Special Education Payments. Should a child have special education needs, consideration will be given to providing necessary indicated special education.

USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Child Abuse. Ombudsman Office: 1-800 372-2973, toll free in Kentucky only.

Adoption and Medical Assistance Compact. Direct correspondence and phone calls to Susan Brown, ICAMA Administrator, Department for Community Based Services, 275 E. Main Street, 3C-E, Frankfort, KY 40621. Telephone: (502) 564-2147.